

CENTRAL DAUPHIN  SCHOOL DISTRICT

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

600 Rutherford Road, Harrisburg, PA 17109

(717) 545-4703

August 28, 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Central Dauphin School District offers free instrumental music instruction to students starting in fourth grade. Lessons take place during the school day and are taught on violin, viola, cello, bass, flute, clarinet, alto saxophone, French horn, trumpet, trombone, baritone, tuba, and combined percussion (orchestra bells AND snare drum).

Parents are responsible for obtaining an instrument, music stand, and a lesson book.

- Please use a reputable dealer to rent/buy an instrument (see reverse side for several local store listings).
- Used instruments are fine. The annual CD Used Instrument Sale is scheduled for Sept. 9 in the East High School Cafeteria from 9am-noon.
- Please have a music teacher in your building or a music repair technician check the playing condition of any used instrument before lessons begin.
- There is a limited supply of school-owned instruments available for students to borrow. Teacher recommendation is necessary for students to be eligible for these instruments and parents must ask for consideration.
- **DO NOT BUY AN INSTRUMENT ONLINE OR FROM A PLACE OTHER THAN A MUSIC STORE without checking with your music teacher!!**

Online Registration



To participate:

1. Return the attached form to your student's school
OR
2. Submit the Google form found at tinyurl.com/ycxb9ewf or via this QR code:

Please register as soon as possible, and **no later than Friday, September 15.** A few days after the deadline, the instrumental music teacher will give your student a lesson schedule that indicates the day and the time of their first lesson. We look forward to your student's participation in our instrumental music program!

Sincerely,

C.D. Elementary Instrumental Music Staff

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The following local music stores supply instruments:

<p>Central Penn Music www.centralpennmusic.com 8 N. Londonderry Sq. Palmyra PA 17078 (717) 832-6110</p>	<p>Hershey Violins www.hersheyviolins.com 11 West Main St. Mechanicsburg Pa 17055 (717) 697-6341</p>	<p>JW Music www.jwmusic.com 127 N. Hanover St. Carlisle PA 17013 (717) 258-6765</p>
<p>Dale's Drum Shop www.dalesdrumshop.com 4440 Fritchey St. Harrisburg PA 17109 (717) 652-2466</p>	<p>Horn Hospital LLC www.hornhospital.com 3796 Valley Rd. Marysville, PA 17053 (717) 957-2775</p>	<p>Löser's Music, Inc. www.losersmusic.com 728 Cumberland St. Lebanon, PA 17042 1-800-522-2600</p>
<p>Forte Music www.fortemusicpa.com 550 N. Mountain Rd. Harrisburg PA 17112 (717) 657-1400</p>	<p>J.R. Judd Violins www.jrjuddviolins.com 1964 Lycoming Creek Rd. Williamsport PA 17701 (570) 321-8070</p>	<p>Menchey Music Service www.mencheymusic.com 3907 Union Deposit Rd. Harrisburg PA 17109 (717) 564-2299</p>
<p>Guitar Center/Music and Arts www.musicarts.com 5082 Jonestown Rd. Harrisburg PA 17112 (717) 652-7399</p>	<p>Potential questions to ask music stores:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Does the monthly rental include all repair and maintenance costs? -Is the monthly rental rate fixed from the beginning, or does it change? -Is a loaner instrument available to borrow while repairs are being made? -Does the store provide free pick up and delivery to my student's school? -Can my student switch instruments during the rental period? -Can an instrument that is paid to date be returned without any further financial responsibility? -What percentage of the amount paid into a rental can be applied toward the purchase of a different size, type, or quality instrument? 	

All students need a music stand and lesson book, plus instrument-specific accessories.

<p>Band lesson book: <u>Accent on Achievement</u></p> 	<p>String lesson book: <u>Essential Elements for Strings</u></p> 	<p>Music stand examples:</p> 
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<p>Violin/Viola</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> shoulder rest (contoured sponge OR Everest) <input type="checkbox"/> lint-free cleaning cloth (soft washcloth or small square of t-shirt is okay) <input type="checkbox"/> rosin (specific to instrument) 	<p>Cello/Bass</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> rock stop (keeps endpin from sliding) <input type="checkbox"/> lint-free cleaning cloth (soft washcloth or small square of t-shirt is okay) <input type="checkbox"/> rosin (specific to instrument) 	<p>Trumpet/Baritone/Tuba</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> valve oil <input type="checkbox"/> tuning slide grease (chapstick-style tube)
<p>French Horn</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> rotor oil <input type="checkbox"/> tuning slide grease (chapstick-style tube) 	<p>Trombone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> slide oil (NOT cream) <input type="checkbox"/> tuning slide grease (chapstick-style tube) 	<p>Flute</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> cleaning rod & cloth OR pad savers
<p>Clarinet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> swab OR pad savers <input type="checkbox"/> cork grease (chapstick-style tube) <input type="checkbox"/> box of 10 #2.5 reeds (flavored reeds are NOT recommended) 	<p>Saxophone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> swab OR pad savers <input type="checkbox"/> neck strap <input type="checkbox"/> cork grease (chapstick-style tube) <input type="checkbox"/> box of 10 #2.5 reeds (flavored reeds are NOT recommended) 	<p>Combined Percussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> bell kit, drum pad, and stand <input type="checkbox"/> bell mallets and drumsticks **Case with wheels is recommended! **Proper lesson book is for "Combined Percussion" (NOT Snare Drum)

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Instrumental Music Registration Form

**RETURN THIS FORM TO SCHOOL,
OR REGISTER ONLINE,
BY SEPTEMBER 15**

Online Registration



tinyurl.com/ycxb9ewf

Student name: _____ Grade: _____

School: _____ Cyber In-person Room#/Teacher: _____

Home street address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Please list any prior music experience: _____

Instrument desired: (CHOOSE ONLY ONE)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Violin | <input type="checkbox"/> Flute | <input type="checkbox"/> Trumpet/Cornet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Viola | <input type="checkbox"/> Clarinet | <input type="checkbox"/> French Horn |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cello | <input type="checkbox"/> Alto Saxophone | <input type="checkbox"/> Trombone |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bass** | | <input type="checkbox"/> Baritone/Euphonium |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Combined Percussion (snare drum AND bells) | | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuba** |

** Basses and Tubas do not fit on the school bus. Any student who chooses one of these may need to be a car rider on their lesson day.

How do you plan to get an instrument?

- rent/buy from a music store have/getting a used instrument (send to school for teacher inspection)
 borrow a school instrument if available (please complete follow-up questions)

There is a limited supply of school instruments. If you want to be considered for one, please use this space to indicate the reasons why you would like to borrow an instrument from the school.

If you are hoping to borrow from the school, please list other instrument choices (in case your first choice is unavailable):

Second choice instrument: _____ Third choice instrument: _____

More questions on reverse side → →

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Parent/Guardian Information

Parent/Guardian name(s): _____

Primary phone: _____ Primary email: _____

Secondary phone: _____ Secondary email: _____

Instrumental Music Expectations

Learning an instrument is a lot of fun, but it takes hard work! As a band or orchestra member, your student will be expected to:

- practice their instrument regularly at home
- bring their instrumental materials to and from school at least once per cycle
- attend their lesson once per cycle
- attend full-group rehearsals once per cycle (possibly during computer time or recess)

Before making a final commitment to learning an instrument, please make sure you and your student understand and agree to these expectations.

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

*If you have any questions for the instrumental teacher, please feel free to write them here!
(You can also find their email address on the first page of this packet.)*